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URBAN PROGRAMME
APPLICATION FORM

PROJECT No. /

NEW APPLICATION

SUPPLEMENTARY APPLICATION

DATE OF APPLICATION

DATE REVISION 1

DATE REVISION 2

PROJECT TITLE

A.P.T.

Support Project for A.R.D.'s Sufferers.

This Form should be submitted to Strathclyde Regional Council (Chief Executive's Department) who will forward the Application, if approved, to the Scottish Development Department. Please read the notes of guidance for applicants on Page 6 before completing the form.

SECTION 1

IDENTIFYING INFORMATION

1. Sponsoring Body (if not local authority). Clydeside Action on Asbestos.

2. Sponsoring/Supervising Local Authority Department.

3. Address of Project Base. 15 St. Margaret's Place, Glasgow, G1.

4. Areas served. Glasgow area.

5. Summary of objectives.
1. To alleviate the pain, suffering and poverty of sufferers of asbestos related diseases (ARD's) and their families through providing support, counselling and advice.
 2. To set up an information, advice and 'Drop-In' Centre.
 3. To help overcome the isolation of victims and their families by developing social and community activities.
 4. To educate the wider community on the dangers and hazards of asbestos.

6. Supervising Officer
Name, Address & Tel. No.

SECTION 2

PROJECT INFORMATION

7. Why is this particular project needed?
Currently no comprehensive service exists to provide support, counselling and advice for asbestos victims and their families. It is estimated that up to 50,000 people will die of asbestos related diseases. Currently Clydeside Action on Asbestos has over 300 members, we are aware of over 40 deaths in the Glasgow area since Jan. 1991. Often victims will be isolated with their families living in poverty. This project aims to tackle the specific needs of this group - advice on compensation claims, benefit entitlements, counselling, emotional and social support, etc.

8. How many people and which Client Groups would be able to benefit directly from this project?
The above figures we feel represent the 'tip of the iceberg'. This project would also include the families of victims. Currently our membership spread over a wide area - Inverclyde, East Kilbride, Clydebank and Glasgow (including Pollok, Penilee, East End, etc

9. What will be provided if this grant is approved?

- a. A 'Drop-In' Centre for victims and their families. Transport would be available to assist victims to use the facilities.
- b. A Counselling and Advice Centre providing full-time support, counselling, advice for victims and their families.
- c. An Information and Advice Centre for the wider community.
- d. A training and education resource providing information and advice on asbestos related matters, welfare rights, legal rights, administrative procedures. Specialists would be employed to assist in training etc, on a part-time basis.
- e. A Co-ordinating Centre for voluntary activities including visiting service to the housebound, carers would be employed to assist in respite care and assist victims to attend meetings, tribunals, etc. Production of publicity material, etc.

10. What measurable achievements should have been accomplished at the end of the period of funding?

- a. A co-ordinated network of support for victims and their families including statutory and voluntary agencies providing a range of budgeting, financial and other advice.
- b. The creation of a much needed, full-time Advice and Information Centre.
- c. Greater awareness of asbestos related diseases and dangers of asbestos use.
- d. The development of locally recruited volunteers trained to provide information/ advice services plus visiting and social services to victims and families.
- e. Improvement in the quality of life of victims and families.
- f. The establishment of a centre aimed at caring for the specific needs and problems faced by sufferers and their families.

11. What other similar services exist or are planned in the area and how will the project relate to them?

No comprehensive/full-time service exists in the West of Scotland (or elsewhere in U.K.) for victims of asbestos related diseases. This would be a unique service. The project will develop its services with the active co-operation of the Social Work Department, Health Board, and other relevant bodies.

12A. Has work of the nature proposed in this application been carried out over the last year? YES ☐ NO ☐

If Yes, how was this financed?

A small advice and counselling service has been funded by Social Work Department through Section 10 funding and a group of volunteers (sufferers) have provided advice and support to sufferers and their families.

The operation of this limited service has demonstrated the need for a comprehensive advice and counselling centre with trained counsellors to implement and develop services and train volunteers.

12B. Is funding or part-funding being received or applied for from any other source? YES ☐ NO ☐

If Yes, please detail showing amounts.